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Introduction

This document is a resource list of Federal agencies and national organizations concerned with the mental health treatment, services, and housing needs of individuals and families who are homeless.

Federal agencies that administer programs authorized by the Stewart B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Act (Public Law 100-77), the first comprehensive Federal legislation to address the health, education, and social welfare needs of persons who are homeless, are found at the beginning of the list. Other Federal programs that address the needs of people who are homeless and have mental illnesses are also included.

National organizations are listed according to their primary focus in relation to homelessness and mental illness. Each organization listed has provided a mailing address, telephone number, and brief description of its services, as well as a contact person, fax number, e-mail, and website address, where applicable. Users of this list—including service providers, researchers, policymakers, and members of the general public—are encouraged to seek additional information on funding opportunities, technical assistance activities, and information resources from the organizations listed.

This list is updated on a regular basis. Send changes or additions to the National Resource and Training Center on Homelessness and Mental Illness; call (800) 444-7415, or e-mail nrtcinfo@cdmgroup.com. We welcome comments and suggestions. An online version of this publication can be found on the Internet at www.nrchmi.samhsa.gov.

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Primary Resources

■ Primary Resources

Center for Mental Health Services/Homeless Programs Branch

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Working with State mental health authorities to support service delivery for people who are homeless and have serious mental illnesses and/or co-occurring substance use disorders through the Projects for Assistance in Transition from Homelessness (PATH) Formula Grant Program, which funds 50 states, the District of Columbia, and five U.S. territories. Developing and studying the effectiveness of model approaches for systems integration, homelessness prevention, and housing approaches for people with serious mental illnesses, including those with co-occurring substance use disorders. In partnership with the Center for Substance Abuse Treatment (CSAT), assessing the effectiveness of targeted interventions for homeless mothers with psychiatric and/or substance use disorders who are caring for their dependent children. Collaborating with other Federal agencies and departments to support State and local planning efforts to address homelessness and increase access to mainstream resources through the Policy Academies on chronic and family homelessness. Participating in an interagency effort among the U.S. Departments of Health and Human Services, Housing and Urban Development, and Veterans Affairs to promote the development of housing and supportive services for people who experience chronic homelessness. Supporting a contract to operate the National Resource Center on Homelessness and Mental Illness, the only national center specifically focused on the housing, treatment, and support services needs of people who are homeless and have serious mental illnesses and/or co-occurring disorders

National Resource and Training Center on Homelessness and Mental Illness

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The Center for Mental Health Services (CMHS) of the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration seeks to improve the availability and accessibility of high-quality, community-based services for people with or at risk for mental illnesses and their families. The National Resource and Training Center on Homelessness and Mental Illness (NRTC), a CMHS initiative, is the only national center specifically focused on the effective organization and delivery of services for people who are homeless and have serious mental illnesses and/or substance use disorders. NRTC supports the efforts of programs and activities that provide housing, increase access to treatment, and mobilize appropriate supportive services so that people who are homeless and who have severe mental illnesses and/or co-occurring substance use disorders can maintain housing stability, become self-supporting when possible, access mainstream services, and improve their quality of life and health. NRTC maintains an extensive knowledge database of studies, papers, and reports on homelessness, mental illness, and substance abuse developed over two decades; it serves as a vital link between emerging knowledge and everyday practice through referrals, training, and targeted technical assistance.

Community Connections

PO Box 7189 Gaithersburg, MD 20898

Information Specialists Phone: 800-998-9999 TDD: 800-483-2209 Fax: 301-519-5027

Email: comcon@aspensys.com Website: www.comcon.org

Community Connections, the information center of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) Office of Community Planning and Development (CPD), serves state and local agencies, nonprofit organizations, public interest and intermediary groups, and others interested in housing and community development. Customers can call the center or access the Internet site for copies of program regulations, descriptions of model programs, case studies of affordable housing initiatives, publications on expanding affordable housing opportunities, funding notices, training and conference announcements, and referrals to technical assistance providers. The center provides information on all CPD programs, including HOME, HOPE 3, the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Renewal Communities, Empowerment Zones/Enterprise Communities, Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA), and all homeless assistance programs

Interagency Council on Homelessness

409 3rd Street Washington, DC 20024

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Phone: 202-708-4663 Fax: 202-708-1216 Email: ich@hud.gov Website: www.ich.gov

Congress established the Interagency Council on Homelessness (ICH) in 1987 with the passage of the Stewart B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Act. In 1993, the Interagency Council on Homelessness was reorganized as a working group of the White House Domestic Policy Council. ICH provides Federal leadership for activities to assist families and individuals who are homeless. Major activities of the Council include the following: planning and coordinating the Federal government's actions and programs to assist people who are homeless and making or recommending policy changes to improve such assistance; monitoring and evaluating assistance provided by all levels of government and the private sector to people who are homeless; ensuring that technical assistance is provided to help community and other organizations effectively assist people who are homeless; and disseminating information on Federal resources available to assist people who are homeless.

SAMHSA's National Mental Health Information Center

PO Box 42557 Washington, DC 20015

Information Specialist Phone: 800-789-2647 TDD: 866-889-2647 Fax: 240-747-5470

Email: info@mentalhealth.org

Website: www.mentalhealth.samhsa.gov

The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration's (SAMHSA) National Mental Health Information Center provides the public with information and referrals on mental health services. Free copies of publications on a range of mental health issues are available. Information specialists answer callers' questions, or refer them to Federal, state, or local resources for more information and help. The Center offers up-to-the-minute information on issues such as prevention, treatment, and rehabilitation services for mental illnesses, and on subjects ranging from advocacy to women's issues

Key Federal Programs

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Co-Occurring Center for Excellence

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In September 2003, the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) launched the Co-Occurring Center for Excellence (COCE). The mission of the COCE is to serve as a leading national resource for the field of co-occurring mental and substance abuse disorders. The COCE will compile and continually update the latest evidence- and consensus-based practices for diffusion into a range of settings in order to enhance system and clinical capacities to respond to the needs of persons with co-occurring disorders. The COCE will advance a unified substance abuse and mental health approach, address all levels of mental health and substance abuse disorder severity, and adapt solutions to the unique needs of each service recipient. The COCE consists of national and regional experts who will serve to shape its mission, guiding principles, and approach. The COCE staff, subcontractors, and consultants will provide technical assistance consistent with the state-of-the-art knowledge that is compiled and updated on an ongoing basis. Assistance will be available to States, cities, counties, tribes and tribal organizations, community based providers, educational establishments, criminal justice related entities, and other social and public health providers seeking to enhance their ability to serve individuals with co-occurring disorders. All requests for COCE services must be made in writing by the requesting agency's decision making authority. All plans for providing technical assistance must receive federal approval prior to implementation. Requests for technical assistance may be sent to the address or email listed above.

Corporation for National and Community Service

1201 New York Avenue, NW 8th Floor Washington, DC 20525

Phone: 202-606-5000 Fax: 202-565-2794 Website: www.cns.gov

Established in 1993, the Corporation for National and Community Service engages more than 1.5 million Americans of all ages in programs designed to improve their communities through its three national service initiatives. AmeriCorps offers Americans age 17 and older the opportunity to serve their communities by tutoring students; running after-school and mentoring programs for at-risk youth; offering job counseling, shelter, and other services to people who are homeless; and building houses and rehabilitating substandard housing in rural and urban areas. Upon completing service, AmeriCorps members receive an education award that can be used to cover tuition or repay education loans. Learn and Serve America provides opportunities for students in kindergarten through college to serve as part of their curriculum, and the National Senior Service Corps gives older Americans the opportunity to volunteer their time and talents to make their communities better. The Corporation also serves as a clearinghouse of information and technical expertise for service initiatives nationwide and provides funding on a competitive basis for state and national service programs.

Emergency Food and Shelter National Board Program

701 North Fairfax Street, Suite 310 Alexandria, VA 22314

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Website: www.efsp.unitedway.org

This Federally funded emergency program, begun in 1983 and currently part of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, continues to provide funds for basic food and shelter services, including feeding programs, sheltering programs, rent and mortgage programs, and utility programs. Local Boards are established to select agencies referred to as Local Recipient Organizations that will receive monies to supplement their provision of food and shelter services in their jurisdiction.

Health Resources and Services Administration

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The Health Care for the Homeless (HCH) program is administered by the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), and authorized under Section 330(h)of the Health Centers Consolidation Act of 1996, as amended. Discretionary grants to public and nonprofit private entities support the development and operation of families who are homeless and to individuals who were prevously homeless while they are in transitional housing. Required services are outlined under sections 330(b)and 330(h) and include the following: primary care; substance abuse services; provision of or arrangements for emergency health services; referral for inpatient hospitalization; provision of or referral to mental health services; case management services; outreach services; entitlement eligibility assistance; and supplemental and/or additional services.

SAMHSA's National Clearinghouse for Alcohol and Drug Information

11420 Rockville Pike Rockville, MD 20852

Information Specialists Phone: 800-729-6686 TDD: 800-487-6433 Fax: 301-468-6433 Email: info@health.org

Website: http://ncadi.samhsa.gov

The National Clearinghouse for Alcohol and Drug Information (NCADI), a service of the U.S. Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), is the Nation's the primary resource for information about substance abuse prevention and addiction treatment. Free and low-cost information, publications, and multimedia resources are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, through toll-free phone service in English and Spanish. NCADI's resources and information databases are also accessible online. The on-site Resource Library is open to the public, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism

5635 Fishers Lane, MSC 9304 Bethesda, MD 20892

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Website: www.niaaa.nih.gov

The National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism (NIAAA), a component of the National Institutes of Health (NIH) in the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), is the Federal agency that funds and supports over 90 percent of the research on alcohol abuse and addiction in the United States. This includes research support for investigators who examine alcohol-related problems and issues among persons who are homeless.

National Institute of Mental Health

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Website: www.nimh.nih.gov

The National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH) is the Federal agency responsible for supporting and conducting research into the causes, diagnosis, treatment, and prevention of mental disorders. To understand the causes and improve the treatment and prevention of mental illnesses, NIMH research brings a multidisciplinary approach to research on the human brain in health and in illness, integrating findings from the neurosciences, basic behavioral sciences, clinical research, epidemiology, prevention research, and mental health services research. With this overall approach, the Institute supports basic research and studies that address the causes and treatments for specific mental disorders such as schizophrenia, mood disorders, anxiety disorders, eating disorders, and childhood mental illnesses. NIMH research also addresses the mental health needs of special populations, including racial and ethnic minority populations, women, and residents of rural areas. Publications include printed materials on basic behavioral research, neuroscience of mental health, and the diagnosis and treatment of mental disorders. A list of NIMH publications, including several in Spanish, is available upon request. Public and professional education campaigns are the Depression Education Program and the Anxiety Disorders Education Program.

National Prevention Information Network

PO Box 6003 Rockville, MD 20849

Phone: 800-458-5231 TDD: 800-243-7012 Fax: 888-282-7681 Email: info@cdcnpin.org Website: www.cdcnpin.org

The CDC National Prevention Information Network (CDC NPIN) is the U.S. reference, referral, and distribution service for information on HIV/AIDS, sexually transmitted diseases (STDs), and tuberculosis (TB), and is sponsored by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). NPIN services are designed to facilitate the sharing of information and resources among people working in HIV, STD, and TB prevention, treatment, and support services. Bilingual staff are available to speak with callers and all calls are confidential.

Social Security Administration

6401 Security Boulevard Baltimore, MD 21235

Contact: Leola Brooks, Director

Phone: 410-965-2219

Website: www.social security.gov/homelessness

The Social Security Administration (SSA) has a long history of providing service to the American public, including people who are homeless, by assuring they have full access to the programs that SSA administers. SSA is committed to increasing access to Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) and Supplemental Security Income (SSI) for people experiencing homelessness, and accomplishes the objectives of their Homeless Plan by participating in the United States Interagency Council on Homelessness and collaborating with other federal partners on several initiatives. In fiscal year (FY) 2003, Congress appropriated \$8 million for SSA to provide outreach and application assistance to homeless and other underserved populations. In September 2003, SSA announced the availability of cooperative agreement funds for homeless outreach projects and evaluation for FY 2003. SSA anticipates funding for approximately 30 projects, with awards of up to \$200,000 in the first year of project funding, to be awarded in the second quarter of FY 2004. The goal of the cooperative agreements is to demonstrate efficient, replicable and sustainable approaches for identifying individuals who are potentially eligible for benefits under the Social Security disability program, and to provide direct assistance to these individuals in the benefit application process.

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U.S. Department of Education

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The Education for Homeless Children and Youth Program, authorized by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, provides formula grants to state education agencies and the Bureau of Indian Affairs to ensure that children who are homeless receive the same educational services as those provided to children with established residences. State agencies provide grants to local educational agencies that serve children and youth who are homeless and use funds for direct services to support programs and activities designed to facilitate the enrollment, attendance, and success of children and youth who are homeless in schools. Some states have used the grant funds to support special demonstration projects to serve children who are homeless. State coordinators monitor the program at the local level.

U.S. Department of Education

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Website: www.ed.gov/offices/OSERS/RSA/Contact/

The Rehabilitation Services Administration, authorized by the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 as amended, provides formula and discretionary grants related to expanding and improving vocational rehabilitation and independent living outcomes for persons with disabilities, including persons who have mental illnesses. Formula grants are provided to state vocational rehabilitation agencies to enable eligible individuals with disabilities to achieve employment and/or independent living. Discretionary grants for special demonstration or training projects are awarded on a competitive basis to eligible organizations for the purpose of supporting the work of state vocational rehabilitation agencies.

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

PO Box 23268 Washington, DC 20026

Phone: 800-245-2691 Fax: 202-708-9981 Website: www.huduser.org

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) Office of Policy Development and Research sponsors HUD USER, an information service that provides ready access to research information and publishes the free newsletter, Recent Research Results (RRR). RRR contains short summaries of reports recently published under the auspices of the Office of Policy Development and Research. Also, HUD USER maintains an on-line bibliographic database that provides complete reference and document dissemination services and offers reproduction of selected blueprints.

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

451 Seventh Street SW, Room 7212 Washington, DC 20410

Contact: David Vos, Director Phone: 202-708-1934

TDD: 800-877-8339 Fax: 202-708-9313

Website: www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/aidshousing

The Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) program provides housing assistance and supportive services for low-income persons with HIV/AIDS and their families. Grants are provided by formula allocations to states and metropolitan areas with the highest incidence of AIDS, and by selection through a national competition of projects proposed by state and local governments and nonprofit organizations. HOPWA funds may be used for an array of housing, social services, program planning, and development costs. Eligible activities include, but are not limited to, the acquisition, rehabilitation, or new construction of housing units; costs for the operation and maintenance of facilities and community residencies; rental assistance; and short-term payments to prevent homelessness. HOPWA may also support healthcare, mental health services, drug and alcohol abuse treatment and counseling, intensive care, nutritional services, case management, assistance with daily living, housing information, placement assistance, and other services.

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

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Website: www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/homeless/index.cfm

Supportive Housing; Shelter Plus Care; Emergency Shelter; Section 8 SRO; and Surplus Federal Property. Several of these grant programs target people who are homeless with disabilities, e.g., serious mental illnesses, chronic alcohol/drug abuse, and AIDS and related diseases. In addition, HUD works in collaboration with the Center for Mental Health Services (CMHS) and with other Federal agencies to support a wide range of efforts on behalf of people who are homeless with special needs. Many of HUD's other basic housing and community development programs can be used to assist persons who are homeless. Individuals are urged to contact their local HUD Field Offices for more information.

U.S. Department of Justice

950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW - GST Washington, DC 20530

Contact: Steven H. Rosenbaum, Chief

Phone: 202-514-4713 TDD: 888-305-3228 Fax: 202-514-1116

Website: www.usdoj.gov/crt/housing/hcehome.html

The Department of Justice files suits in Federal court to enforce the Federal Fair Housing Act, which prohibits discrimination in housing on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, disability, or familial status. Mental illness is considered a disability under the Act. Discrimination in all aspects of sale and rental transactions is unlawful, as are discriminatory zoning and land use laws and practices. With respect to disability, discrimination includes a refusal to make reasonable accommodations in rules, policies, practices, or services where such accommodation may be necessary to afford equal housing opportunity. The Department can take enforcement action based on information received from private parties, from its independent investigative efforts, or from the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

U.S. Department of Labor, Veteran's Employment and Training Service

200 Constitution Avenue, NW Room S-1312 Washington, DC 20210

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The Homeless Veterans' Reintegration Program (HVRP) is authorized under 38 U.S.C. Section 2021, as added by Section 5 of Public Law 107-95, the Homeless Veterans Comprehensive Assistance Act of 2001.

HVRP grants are competitively awarded and are intended to address two objectives: (1) to provide services to assist in reintegrating homeless veterans into meaningful employment within the labor force, and (2) to stimulate the development of effective service delivery systems that will address the complex problems facing homeless veterans.

HVRP grantees provide job placement services, job training, counseling, supportive services, and other referral assistance to expedite the reintegration of homeless veterans into the labor force. HVRP programs are designed to be flexible in addressing the universal as well as the local or regional problems that have had a negative impact on homeless veterans reentering the workforce.

U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs

810 Vermont Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20420

Contact: Jane H. Tollett, Chief

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The Department of Veterans Affairs operates the Domiciliary Care for Homeless Veterans Program to address the unmet clinical needs of veterans who are homeless. More than 90 percent of the veterans served by this program, which operates in 35 sites, have psychiatric illnesses and/or alcohol or other drug dependency problems. Services include outreach and referral, screening and assessment, medical and psychiatric evaluation, treatment and rehabilitation, and post-discharge community support. Staff assist veterans in securing employment and housing.

U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs

810 Vermont Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20420

Contact: Gay Koerber, Associate Chief Consultant

Phone: 202-273-8446 Fax: 202-273-9069

The Health Care for the Homeless Veterans Program (HCHV), previously known as the Homeless Chronically Mentally III Veterans Program, authorized by the Stewart B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Act, provides outreach; case management services; and community-based residential services for homeless veterans with a focus on those who have psychiatric and substance use disorders. Veterans in the HCHV Program may become involved in therapeutic work opportunities through Veterans Industries, and may be assisted in securing permanent housing. A total of 134 sites in 45 states and the District of Columbia provide an integrated network of programs for these veterans. Another component of the HCHV Program allows Veterans Affairs to provide grants and per diem payments to public and nonprofit organizations to develop supported housing programs and supportive service centers for veterans who are homeless.

National Organizations

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American Managed Behavioral Healthcare Association

1101 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, 6th Floor Washington, DC 20004

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Phone: 202-756-7726 Fax: 202-756-7308 Website: www.ambha.org

The American Managed Behavioral Healthcare Association (AMBHA) was founded in 1994 to enable the leading managed behavioral healthcare organizations in the industry to work together on key issues of public accountability, quality, public policy, and communication. AMBHA member organizations offer individualized care management, specialty networks, a continuum of care, quality management programs, consumer orientations, and innovations in behavioral health care delivery. Through their programs, AMBHA member organizations are able to provide early intervention and treatment, increase appropriate care and reduce medically unnecessary treatment, improve efficiency, and lower costs. AMBHA seeks to present and promote the industry's perspective in Federal and state legislative and regulatory actions, and is working to foster a broad understanding of managed behavioral healthcare's ability to deliver accessible, quality, cost-effective care. The association represents the industry to Federal and state governments, mental health and substance abuse providers, associations, and other key audiences. AMBHA supports and promotes the need for comprehensive managed behavioral care benefits in all private and public health care programs, including Medicare and Medicaid. AMBHA advocates open competition based on documented performance, positive clinical outcomes, consumer satisfaction, and public accountability.

American Psychiatric Association

1000 Wilson Boulevard, Suite 1825 Arlington, VA 22209

Phone: 703-907-7300 Fax: 703-907-1085 Website: www.psych.org

The American Psychiatric Association (APA) is an incorporated society of approximately 35,000 psychiatrists that works to promote the best interest of those actually or potentially making use of psychiatric services. The Corresponding Committee on Poverty, Homeless, and Psychiatric Disorders encourages scholarly exploration of the relationships between poverty, homelessness, and psychiatric disorders and fosters the development of psychiatric methods for better addressing the needs of people who are impoverished and homeless. The committee also advocates for policies at Federal and state levels which would ensure equitable access to mental health services for people who are impoverished and homeless. A number of local district branches and chapters of the APA are involved in programs to provide psychiatric services to people who have mental illnesses and are homeless. Individuals are urged to contact the national headquarters for information about an APA group in their area.

American Psychological Association

750 First Street, NE Washington, DC 20002

Phone: 202-336-6062 Fax: 202-336-6063 Email: ppo@apa.org Website: www.apa.org

The American Psychological Association (APA) is the largest scientific and professional organization representing psychology in the United States and is the world's largest association of psychologists. APA's membership includes 150,000 researchers, educators, clinicians, consultants, and students. Through its divisions in 53 subfields of psychology and affiliations with 60 state, territorial, and Canadian provincial associations, APA works to advance psychology as a science, as a profession, and as a means of promoting health, education, and human welfare.

Center for Mental Health Services Research and Policy

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Website: www.psvch.uic.edu/mhsrp

The Center for Mental Health Services Research and Policy at the University of Illinois at Chicago conducts basic and evaluation research and delivers training and technical assistance regarding mental health treatment, service systems, and public policy. Projects include promotion of employment, housing, and education for people with severe mental illnesses; family-to-family support and education; services for individuals with co-occurring HIV/AIDS and mental disorders; programs for transition-age youth with severe emotional disturbance; multicultural and gender issues in mental health treatment; safety issues for service providers and service recipients; organization and financing of mental health service delivery; self-help and peer provided services; and multi-systemic issues in meeting the needs of people with mental disorders. Research articles, training manuals, self-study guides, research protocols and documentation, toolkits, photonovellas, and internet-based training are available by contacting the Center or visiting its website.

Center for the Study of Issues in Public Mental Health

140 Old Orangeburg Road, Building 35 Orangeburg, NY 10962

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promoting recovery; negotiating lives in communities; seeking systems integration; and developing methods for mental health services research.

Depression and Bipolar Support Alliance

730 North Franklin Street, Suite 501 Chicago, IL 60610

Information Specialists Phone: 800-826-3632 Fax: 312-642-7243

Website: www.dbsalliance.org

The Depression and Bipolar Support Alliance (DBSA), previously the National Depressive and Manic Depressive Association (NDMDA), is a nonprofit organization established to educate patients, families, professionals, and the public concerning the nature and management of these treatable disorders. The group also works to foster self-help for patients and families, eliminate discrimination and stigma, and improve access to care. The Depression and Bipolar Support Alliance has self-help chapters around the country, sponsors an annual national convention, publishes literature regarding depression and manic-depression, and advocates for research to eliminate these disorders. Chapter membership is available.

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The Evaluation Center @ HSRI provides technical assistance

(TA) in the area of evaluation for improving the planning, development, and operation of adult mental health services carried out as part of the Community Mental Health Services Block Grant program. TEC attempts to increase the capacity to conduct evaluations through direct and indirect TA activities; by supporting the evaluation of systems implementation strategies and changes that have the potential for informing similar changes in other areas; and by encouraging the dissemination and use of the results of these evaluations. TA is provided through the following

programs: Consultation, E-Community, E-Learning and Training, and Evidence-Based Practices, Multicultural, and Toolkits and Materials.

Judge David L. Bazelon Center for Mental Health Law

1101 15th Street, NW Suite 1212 Washington, DC 20005

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The Bazelon Center (formerly the Mental Health Law Project) is a national, nonprofit organization that engages in legal advocacy for people with mental disabilities. The Center has three programs to expand housing for people who have mental disabilities and are homeless. The Center's Fair Housing program offers training and technical assistance to help housing providers, consumers, and advocates overcome legal barriers such as exclusionary zoning, restrictive regulations, or rental policies to community-living for children and adults with mental disabilities. The Center also uses litigation and other forms of advocacy to increase access to housing and community-based systems of services for people who are homeless, focusing on enforcement of the Supreme Court's Olmstead mandate. Finally, the Center advocates for access by people with disabilities to HUD-funded low-income housing. The Center's website includes information and legal citations on enforcement of the Fair Housing Act, and a number of publications on fair housing for persons with disabilities are available for purchase. A complete publication list is available on request.

National Alliance for Research on Schizophrenia and Depression

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The National Alliance for Research on Schizophrenia and Depression (NARSAD) funds, educates, and recognizes exemplary brain disorder research. It is the largest nongovernmental organization of its kind, having awarded 2,629 grants totaling more than \$175.7 million to 2,067 scientists in 329 leading universities and medical research institutions since its inception in 1987. NARSAD raises funds; publishes a free quarterly research newsletter and informational brochures (in both English and Spanish); sponsors an annual symposium; and awards the Lieber Prize for outstanding research in schizophrenia, the Falcone Prize for outstanding research in affective disorders, the Jay and William Ruane Prize for Children and Adolescent Psychiatric Research, and the Patricia Goldman-Rakic Prize for outstanding research in cognitive neuroscience.

National Alliance for the Mentally III

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The National Alliance for the Mentally III (NAMI) is the nation's leading self-help organization for those affected by severe brain disorders. NAMI's mission is to bring consumers and families with similar experiences together to share information about services, care providers, and ways to cope with the challenges of schizophrenia, manic depression, or other serious mental illnesses. NAMI's Helpline can provide information, support, and referrals to local self-help groups.

Nationally, NAMI advocates for increased Federal support for research into the causes and treatments of brain disorders. NAMI has more than 1,200 local affiliates nationwide.

National Association for Rural Mental Health

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The National Association for Rural Mental Health (NARMH) was founded in 1977 to develop, enhance, and support mental health services and providers in rural areas. NARMH works to improve the delivery of rural mental health services and promote the unique needs and concerns of rural mental health programs. The group develops educational resources and disseminates information about rural mental health policy and practice issues, and sponsors an annual conference for rural mental health professionals. Members receive the quarterly publication, Rural Mental Health.

National Association for the Dually Diagnosed

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The National Association for the Dually Diagnosed (NADD), founded in 1983 as a not-for-profit membership association, is designed to advance mental wellness for persons with developmental disabilities through the promotion of excellence in mental health care. NADD provides conferences, educational services, and training materials, as well as consultation services, to professionals, parents, concerned citizens, and service organizations. Through the dissemination of cutting edge knowledge, NADD has been influential in the development of appropriate community-based policies, programs, and opportunities that address the mental health needs of persons with mental retardation. NADD works to promote services that bridge the gap between the mental health and developmental disabilities structures by seeking to stimulate public and professional interest; encouraging the dissemination and exchange of information; promoting educational and training programs; advocating for appropriate governmental policies; supporting research focused on identification, diagnosis, and treatment; and fostering the development of resources and services. The NADD Bulletin is published six times per year and is available to all NADD members.

National Association of County Behavioral Health Directors

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The National Association of County Behavioral Health Directors (NACBHD) is a membership organization comprising county behavioral health authorities responsible for the planning, oversight, and/or delivery of mental health, development disabilities, and substance abuse services. NACBHD's members are county authorities in 21 states. These jurisdictions contain 75 percent of the United States' population. NACBHD's membership also includes state-based organizations representing community mental health boards, mental health centers, mental health/developmental disabilities services, and community mental health and substance abuse programs. NACBHD provides traditional membership services including advocacy and policy analysis; conferences; the NACBHD Bulletin (a membership newsletter published six times per year); and a membership directory.

National Association of Protection and Advocacy Systems

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The National Association of Protection and Advocacy Systems (NAPAS) was established under the Protection and Advocacy for Individuals with Mental Illness (PAIMI) Act (P.L. 99-319), in addition to other statutes. PAIMI programs protect and advocate for the legal rights of persons with mental illnesses. The programs investigate reports of abuse or neglect and provide technical assistance, information, and legal counseling. Protection and Advocacy agencies often monitor institutions, including residential care facilities, public and private hospitals for persons with mental illnesses, correctional facilities, and shelters for persons who are homeless. NAPAS publishes a free newsletter, Protection and Advocacy Systems News. NAPAS does not provide direct services; individuals must contact the Protection and Advocacy agency in their state.

National Association of State Alcohol and Drug Abuse Directors

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Founded in 1971, the National Association of State Alcohol and Drug Abuse Directors, Inc. (NASADAD), is a private, not-for-profit educational, scientific, and informational organization that serves all state alcoholism and drug agency directors. NASADAD's purpose is to foster and support the development of effective alcohol and other drug abuse prevention and treatment programs throughout every state. NASADAD serves as a focal point for the examination of alcohol and other drug related issues of common interest to both national organizations and Federal agencies. In addition, NASADAD facilitates the evaluation, dissemination, and interstate exchange of alcohol and other drug abuse information and program activities among state agency directors, other professionals, and volunteers; assists Federal and state governments in the design, development, and implementation of coordinated, cooperative Federal-state programs; assists in the design of community-based programs tailored to local needs; identifies issues that require study and research; and conducts evaluation and monitors activities at the request of state alcohol and drug agency directors.

National Association of State Mental Health Program Directors

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Founded in 1959, the National Association of State Mental Health Program Directors (NASMHPD) is a nonprofit membership organization that advocates at the national level for the collective interests of state mental health agency commissioners and staff. The Association operates under a cooperative agreement with the National Governor's Association. NASMHPD is committed to working with other stakeholders to improve public mental health systems and the lives of persons with serious mental illnesses who access these and other systems. Its core services focus on legislative advocacy, technical assistance, and information dissemination. NASMHPD's website contains contact information for its members and staff, meeting announcements, publication lists, and links to other mental health related websites.

National Council for Community Behavioral Healthcare

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The National Council for Community Behavioral Healthcare is a nonprofit association of more than 800 behavioral healthcare organizations that provide services to persons in need of treatment; some of these persons are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless. The National Council is involved in public policy advocacy and provides training and technical assistance to its members through consulting and an annual training conference. Publications available for purchase include monthly newsletters, training manuals, legislative reporting documentation, and information related to managed care.

National GAINS Center for People with Co-Occurring Disorders in the Justice System

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Gathering information, Assessing what works, Interpreting the facts, Networking with key stakeholders, and Stimulating systems change. Operated with funding from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), the Center for Substance Abuse Treatment (CSAT), and the Center for Mental Health Services (CMHS), the National GAINS Center provides technical assistance at the national, state, and local levels to develop strategies for the promotion of organizational and systems change. Through work with national experts, Federal agencies, policymakers, local and state officials, practitioners, researchers, consumers and family members, the Center assesses the best available information on promising practices and models for the coordination of mental health and substance abuse services in criminal and juvenile justice settings to advance effective solutions for immediate use. The Center also collaborates with a number of other organizations, including the Florida Mental Health Institute (FMHI) and the University of Maryland's Center for Behavioral Health, Justice and Public Policy.

National Mental Health Association

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The National Mental Health Association (NMHA) is the country's oldest and largest nonprofit organization addressing all aspects of mental health and mental illness. With more than 340 affiliates nationwide, NMHA works to improve the mental health of all Americans, especially the 54 million individuals with mental disorders, through advocacy, education, research, and service. NMHA's Resource Center provides free information on mental health to the public and makes referrals to local mental health treatment services, support groups, and other local services and supports.

National Technical Assistance Center for State Mental Health Planning

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The National Technical Assistance Center for State Mental Health Planning (NTAC) is funded by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), Center for Mental Health Services (CMHS), Division of State and Community Systems Development and operated by the National Association of State Mental Health Programs Directors. NTAC provides focused, state-of-the-art technical assistance and consultation to state mental health agencies, state mental health planning and advisory councils, consumers, and families to ensure that the best practices and most up-to-date knowledge in mental health and other related fields are translated into action at the state and local levels. NTAC delivers customized, on-site technical assistance; plans and hosts targeted technical assistance and training events; produces publications that include an information brief, networks, and technical assistance tool kits; and communicates electronically with the mental health community on the World Wide Web.

Technical Assistance Collaborative, Inc.

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The Technical Assistance Collaborative (TAC) is a not-for-profit organization that provides consultation and technical assistance to national, state, and local health, human service, and special needs housing organizations. TAC staff have expertise in the organization and financing of human services and healthcare delivery systems with a specialization in behavioral health and affordable housing. Services provided by TAC include program design and development; strategic planning and implementation; technical assistance; management audits and reviews; and training on a variety of service delivery, staff development, and program management topics

TAPA Center

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The TAPA Center for Jail Diversion was funded by the Center for Mental Health Services (CMHS) of the Substance Abuse Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) to address the technical assistance and policy development needs of mental health and other stakeholders in developing programs to divert people with mental illnesses from jail into community-based treatment. A branch of the National GAINS Center, the TAPA Center for Jail Diversion serves as a central source for information, research, policy analysis, and technical assistance on jail diversion for people with mental illnesses. The TAPA Center works closely with CMHS-funded jail diversion programs to develop their interventions and evaluations and translates learnings from this and other SAMHSA initiatives into practical tools to guide communities around the country in developing jail diversion programs. Collaborators of the TAPA Center include the Center for Behavioral Health, Justice & Public Policy; Council of State Governments; Human Services Research Institute; National Association of State Mental Health Program Directors; National Mental Health Association; Police Executive Research Forum; and National Pretrial Services Resource Center.

■ Housing

Advocates for Human Potential, Inc.

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Advocates for Human Potential, Inc. (AHP) is a social sciences research and consulting firm that specializes in changing or improving organizational systems through research and evaluation, technical assistance and training, system and program development, and knowledge development and dissemination. AHP operates several Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) funded technical assistance centers that promote comprehensive, community-based services for people with mental illnesses and substance abuse disorders, especially those with multiple and significant barriers. The housing group at AHP helps nonprofit providers, state and local governments, and community coalitions plan, develop, finance, and operate supportive housing for people with mental illnesses, people who are homeless, and people who have co-occurring disorders. Staff can help states and organizations assess the political, social, and economic environment to plan for supportive housing; develop policy and system change strategies; incorporate "housing first" principles in system design; develop transition plans to move individuals from institutions or congregate settings to the community; integrate employment services as a key element of the housing model; design research and evaluation plans; and create management information systems for housing providers. The housing group can create a complete housing plan from conception to operation or can help with any specific piece of a project. They also have special expertise in developing program manuals and training staff in best practice approaches for serving people with serious mental illnesses and people who are homeless.

American Institute of Architects

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custom housing; affordable housing; codes and regulation; community preservation; and environmentally sensitive housing. Developments designed by members include both multi-family and single-family housing, as well as shared housing arrangements for special needs populations. Members act as the AIA's ambassadors to other organizations, including the National Association of Homebuilders, the American Planning Association, Urban Land Institute, and the Construction Specifications Institute. AIA members and the general public are invited to attend workshops and conferences sponsored by the Housing PIA. The AIA circulates a weekly newspaper to its members and maintains a 30,000-volume lending library, including slide and video collections. Promotional materials and books are available through the AIA bookstore.

Center for Community Change

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The Center for Community Change is a nonprofit social justice organization that assists low-income, community-based organizations across the country to develop grassroots organizing campaigns to influence local and national policies, raise money, develop effective boards and leaders, and institute effective accounting and management systems. The Center provides information and technical assistance on a range of issues, including housing trust funds and other housing issues, immigrant rights, and income support programs.

Center for Housing Policy

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The Center for Housing Policy is the nonprofit research affiliate of the National Housing Conference (NHC). NHC is the nation's oldest nonprofit, bipartisan organization working toward the provision of decent affordable housing and a suitable living environment for every American. The Center was established to support the work of NHC by conducting objective research and carrying out educational activities on a wide range of housing issues. Bringing together practitioners, policy analysts, and research professionals, the Center develops information on housing needs, availability, cost, and other issues.

Corporation for Supportive Housing

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The Corporation for Supportive Housing (www.csh.org) helps communities create permanent housing with services to prevent and end homelessness.

As the only national intermediary organization dedicated to supportive housing development, CSH provides a national policy and advocacy voice; develops strategies and partnerships to fund and establish supportive housing projects across the country; and builds a national network for supportive housing developers to share information and resources. CSH is a national organization that delivers its core services primarily through six geographic hubs: California, Great Lakes (Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio), Minnesota, New Jersey, New York, and Southern New England (Connecticut, Rhode Island). CSH also operates targeted initiatives in Kentucky, Maine, Oregon, and Washington, and reach many other communities that request assistance through its national program support teams.

Council of Large Public Housing Authorities

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The Council of Large Public Housing Authorities is a national non-profit organization that works to preserve and improve public and affordable housing through advocacy, research, policy analysis and public education.

CLPHA's 60 members represent virtually every major metropolitan area in the country; on any given day, they are serving more than one million households. Together they manage almost half of the \$90 billion asset that is public housing, and administer 30 percent of the Section 8 housing assistance program.

The Enterprise Foundation

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The Enterprise Foundation helps America's low-income families with their struggle out of poverty by providing decent homes, access to steady employment, quality child care and safer streets. Working nationwide with a network of 2,500 community organizations and through 17 offices, The Enterprise Foundation has leveraged nearly \$6 billion in investments and donations to help build almost 175,000 affordable homes since 1982.

Visit us at www.enterprisefoundation.org.

Fannie Mae Foundation

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The Fannie Mae Foundation creates affordable homeownership and housing opportunities through innovative partnerships and initiatives that build healthy, vibrant communities across the United States. The Foundation is dedicated to building stronger communities by enlisting the service of its employees and other supporting organizations and by nurturing and maintaining a broad range of partnerships with government agencies, nonprofits, neighborhood leaders, schools, and faith-based institutions. Through these relationships, the Foundation develops and implements truly comprehensive community revitalization plans and other local efforts to improve affordable housing options for low-income families. A private, nonprofit organization, the Fannie Mae Foundation is the largest foundation in the country devoted to affordable housing and the revitalization of communities. As of January 2002, the Foundation has provided more than thirteen million people with free, step-by-step home-buying information to help them achieve the American dream of homeownership. In 2001, the Foundation launched KnowledgePlex, a website bringing together diverse opinions to explore solutions to affordable housing and community development issues, and to promote more enriched innovation and credibility in the field.

Habitat for Humanity International

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Habitat for Humanity is a nonprofit, Christian housing ministry operating in 1,679 affiliates throughout all 50 states, the District of Columbia, and 92 countries. It challenges people to provide the initial capital, through gifts and no-interest loans, to build or renovate simple, decent homes for persons who are inadequately sheltered. Construction is a cooperative venture between volunteers and homebuyers. Houses are sold at no profit with a no-interest mortgage repaid over a 15 to 25 year period. The house payments are recycled to build more houses. Habitat publishes a free bimonthly newsletter, Habitat World.

Housing Assistance Council

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The Housing Assistance Council (HAC) is a national, nonprofit corporation dedicated to increasing the availability of decent and affordable housing for rural, low-income people. HAC provides seed money and technical assistance to rural housing sponsors; conducts research into rural housing needs and resources; provides program and policy analysis; and offers training and information services to public, nonprofit, and private organizations. HAC is an equal opportunity lender.

Housing Research Foundation

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The Housing Research Foundation (HRF) is a private, nonprofit organization dedicated to the improvement of public housing through education, research, and technical assistance. HRF focuses on projects that will enhance the ability of public housing authorities to deliver decent housing and suitable living conditions to low-income residents through its research, publications, and other information activities.

Housing Trust Fund Project

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A special project of the nonprofit Center for Community Change in Washington, DC, the Housing Trust Fund Project compiles accurate information about the development of housing trust funds throughout the country. It promotes the involvement of neighborhood organizations in the creation and implementation of these funds to ensure that they are used to benefit those most in need of housing. Publications include the 2002 Progress Report on Housing Trust Funds in the U.S., a Workbook for Creating a Housing Trust Fund, Winning at the Local Level: 5 Housing Trust Fund Campaigns Tell Their Stories, and a free quarterly newsletter, News from the Housing Trust Fund Project. Technical assistance is also provided.

Local Initiatives Support Corporation

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Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC) is the country's largest community development organization, helping resident-led, community-based groups transform distressed communities and neighborhoods into healthy ones, with good places to live, do business, work, and raise families. Established in 1980, LISC has worked in over 300 urban and rural areas, investing more than \$4 billion of mostly private funds in the work of over 2,200 local nonprofits. With this support, these groups have built 110,000 quality homes, helped make neighborhoods safer and livable, and created 14 million square feet of commercial, retail, child care, educational, and youth development facilities, bringing markets and jobs back to inner city and rural America.

Mercy Housing

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Mercy Housing is a national not-for-profit organization dedicated to creating and strengthening healthy communities by developing affordable housing for families, seniors, formerly homeless persons, people with HIV/AIDS, and individuals with chronic mental illnesses and physical impairments. Through the development, operation, and financing of quality, affordable, program enriched housing, Mercy Housing changes the lives of individuals and families and revitalizes distressed neighborhoods.

National Association of Housing and Redevelopment Officials

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The National Association of Housing and Redevelopment Officials (NAHRO) is a membership organization with more than 9,000 agency and individual members who administer U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) programs at the local level. The organization addresses uses of affordable housing community development funds by developing positions and issuing reports on legislation, funding levels, and regulations. Members administer programs funded by HUD, including public housing, Community Development Block Grants (CDBG), Section 8, and HOME, as well as the Stewart B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Act and other programs to assist persons who are homeless. The NAHRO Monitor, published bi-weekly, and the bimonthly Journal of Housing and Community Development are available to members. Contact NAHRO for membership information.

National Community Development Association

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The National Community Development Association is composed of more than 500 local governments, states, and counties across the country that administer housing and community development programs. It is an association of people dedicated to high quality, locally responsive programs for making urban areas better places in which to live. Members of the Association receive bi-weekly mailings on Federal legislation and administrative developments. All local governments that administer housing and community development programs are eligible for membership.

National Council of State Housing Agencies

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The National Council of State Housing Agencies (NCSHA) is a national, nonprofit organization created in 1970 to assist its members in advancing the interests of low-income and underserved people through the financing, development, and preservation of affordable housing. NCSHA's members are Housing Finance Agencies (HFAs) with statewide authority. NCSHA's member agencies operate in every state and the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands. NCSHA represents its members in Washington before Congress; the Administration; several Federal agencies concerned with housing, such as U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and the Treasury Department; and other advocates for affordable housing.

National Fair Housing Alliance

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Founded in 1988 to coordinate the battle against housing discrimination within the United States, the National Fair Housing Alliance (NFHA) works to develop and implement programs and trainings that will lead to the elimination of discriminatory housing practices. As an umbrella group, NFHA supports fair housing organizations and civil rights and advocacy groups throughout the country with technical assistance in investigating and litigating cases, training, and providing information on fair housing issues. NFHA has an operating and supporting membership of more than 100 private, nonprofit organizations within 40 states, whose goals are to conduct investigations of alleged violations of the fair housing law and to provide legal and administrative resources to victims of housing discrimination in rental, sales, lending. insurance, zoning, or harassment cases. In addition, each operating member specializes in fair housing education, outreach, and enforcement in their respective metropolitan areas. In conjunction with the Washington Lawyer's Committee for Civil Rights and Urban Affairs, the NFHA has filed numerous amicus briefs in Federal district and appellate courts and in the U.S. Supreme Court, and has presented testimony before Senate and House Congressional committees on discriminatory practices by mortgage lending and homeowners insurance companies. NFHA has also developed public service radio, TV, and print advertisements designed to encourage members of Federally protected groups to report all forms of housing, lending, and homeowner insurance discrimination. NFHA also provides technical assistance, selfevaluation and testing to major lending and insurance institutions to help them understand and comply with their responsibilities under the Federal Fair Housing Act

National Housing Conference

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The National Housing Conference (NHC) believes that every American, regardless of income, should have the opportunity to live in decent housing in a suitable neighborhood. This opportunity must be available to all, regardless of race, national origin, religion, gender, age, disability, family composition, or sexual orientation. NHC actively works to eliminate critical housing needs and increase the supply of affordable housing through advocacy and education.

National Housing Institute

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The National Housing Institute (NHI) is a nonprofit research and education organization devoted to finding solutions to the problems of affordable housing and community development. NHI publishes Shelterforce, now in its 30th year, the only national magazine devoted to these issues. NHI also conducts research and has available working papers and reports on topics such as preserving affordable housing, preventing homelessness, congressional activities in housing and urban issues, and various tenant/landlord related topics. Shelterforce is available by subscription for \$18 per year for individuals, \$30 per year for organizations.

National Housing Law Project

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The National Housing Law Project (NHLP) is a national housing law and advocacy center. The goal of NHLP is to advance housing justice for people who are poor by increasing and preserving the supply of decent affordable housing by improving existing housing conditions, including physical conditions and management practices; expanding and enforcing low-income tenants and homeowners' rights; and increasing opportunities for racial and ethnic minorities. NHLP works to achieve that goal by providing legal assistance, advocacy advice, and housing expertise to legal services and other attorneys, low-income housing groups, and others who serve people who are poor. NHLP's primary areas of emphasis are public policy advocacy, litigation assistance, training, research, writing, and focusing on issues and problems that will have the greatest impact on the housing rights of people who are poor. NHLP's monthly newsletter, the Housing Law Bulletin, is available by subscription at a cost of \$175 for 10 issues per year.

National Low Income Housing Coalition

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The National Low Income Housing Coalition (NLIHC) is a national organization consisting of individuals and organizations who educate, advocate, and organize for affordable housing for low-income people. It publishes a weekly Memo to Members of current housing information, distributed via fax or e-mail, as well as studies of housing dynamics. NLIHC's current number one priority is the establishment of a National Housing Trust Fund that would provide communities with funds to help build, rehab, and preserve 1.5 million homes for people with the lowest incomes.

National Rural Housing Coalition

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The National Rural Housing Coalition (NRHC) works to focus the attention of policymakers on the needs of rural areas both by direct lobbying and by coordinating a network of rural housing advocates around the nation. As a broad-based membership organization, NRHC sponsors regular conferences where specific policies and legislative proposals are developed. Over the years, NRHC has successfully fought for programs to provide rental assistance, to preserve rental housing units for low-income families, and to promote self-help housing and new funding for home repair. The Coalition works to target Federal rural housing resources to people most in need to ensure adequate funding levels for rural housing programs. NRHC promotes a nonprofit delivery system for rural housing and community development programs and advocates for the resistance of efforts to put key housing and development programs into underfunded block grants.

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Website: www.shimberg.ufl.edu

The Shimberg Center for Affordable Housing provides data and technical assistance in all areas of housing. The Center maintains references and contacts with other agencies providing housing assistance. The Shimberg Center is a member of the National Consortium of Housing Research Centers at universities located across the country. Within Florida, the Shimberg Center maintains the Florida Housing Data Clearinghouse with supply and demand data across the state at the county and city level.

Technical Assistance Collaborative

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The Technical Assistance Collaborative (TAC) is a not-for-profit organization that works to achieve positive outcomes on behalf of people with disabilities or other special needs by providing consultation and technical assistance to national, state, and local mental health, affordable housing, substance abuse, and human services organizations. TAC staff have expertise in the organization and financing of housing, human services, and healthcare delivery systems, with a specialization in affordable housing and behavioral health. Services provided by TAC include program design and development, strategic planning and implementation, technical assistance, management audits and reviews, and training on a variety of service delivery, staff development, and program management topics. TAC produces a quarterly publication, Opening Doors. Individuals and organizations can be added to the mailing list by e-mailing info@tacinc.org. Past issues are available on-line at www.tacinc.org.

Women's Institute for Housing and Economic Development

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Low Income Women Accessing Higher Education; and Lifting the Voices of Homeless Women.

Woodstock Institute

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Woodstock Institute is a nonprofit organization that works nationally and locally to promote reinvestment and economic activity in low- and moderate-income communities. Founded in 1973 and based in Chicago, the Institute has established itself as a nationally recognized expert on the credit and development needs of low-income communities. The Institute's primary work includes the design, implementation, and evaluation of reinvestment and economic development programs that benefit modest-income urban communities. Primary activities include policy analysis; community economic and credit needs analysis; program design and evaluation; analysis of lending data; technical assistance for neighborhood development; and community reinvestment negotiations.

■ Homelessness

American Bar Association

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A Primer for Lawyers and Advocates; Educating Children without Housing; legal reports relating to extreme poverty and homelessness; and general data on homelessness, its demographics and causes.

American Public Health Association

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The American Public Health Association's (APHA) Caucus on Homelessness is an organization of service providers, researchers, policymakers, and advocates who are studying and addressing homelessness in America. Members participate in scientific and policy sessions at APHA's annual conference; help APHA develop resolutions and policy statements to address the needs of persons who are homeless; and provide periodic information on activities, policies, and research findings central to the effort to help end poverty and homelessness. A quarterly newsletter is sent to members. Membership in the Caucus is open to both members and nonmembers of APHA.

American Red Cross

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Website: www.redcross.org

American Red Cross chapters provide locally relevant humanitarian services that help people within the community be safer, healthier, and more self-reliant. Chapters determine which programs to offer based on their community's needs. Programs offered by Community Services are wide-ranging, touching the lives of young and old throughout neighborhoods across the country. The variety of services include homedelivered meals; food pantries; rides to medical appointments; homeless shelters; transitional housing; caregiver education and support groups; friendly visitors; Lifeline®; hospital/nursing home volunteers; fuel assistance; language banks; and many more. Local Red Cross chapters should be contacted for information on services offered in local areas.

Catholic Charities USA

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Website: www.catholiccharitiesusa.org

Catholic Charities USA's members—more than 1,300 local agencies and institutions nationwide—provide help and create hope for nearly seven million people a year regardless of religious, social, or economic backgrounds. Local Catholic Charities agencies provide a wide range of vital social services in their communities, including temporary shelters, transitional housing services, housing counseling, and mental health services. To locate your local Catholic Charities agency, visit www.catholiccharitiesinfo.org. As the network's national member service center, Catholic Charities USA provides its Catholic Charities agency members a national voice, networking opportunities, training and technical assistance, program development, and financial support. Catholic Charities USA actively advocates with Congress and the Administration on issues related to affordable housing, homelessness, mental health, and other issues.

Center for Urban Community Services

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The Center for Urban Community Services (CUCS) Housing Resource Center provides technical assistance and training to organizations throughout the country to help build their capacity to serve people who are homeless, particularly those with special needs. Using knowledge gained from CUCS' innovative models of housing, including the Times Square, Prince George and hundreds of organizations throughout the country, CUCS TA services are individualized to meet agency needs and goals. Assistance is offered in all phases of supportive housing project development and implementation, including organizational development and management, structuring partnerships between organizations, developing a service program, designing employment services, quality assurance and program evaluation, community needs assessments, and planning and systems change. CUCS has worked with a range of organizations including social service and treatment providers, transitional and permanent supportive housing providers, property managers, and Federal, state, and local governments. CUCS training and technical assistance interventions are targeted to all levels of staff including executive, administrative, supervisory, and line workers to help ensure coordinated, systemic, and enduring change.

Health Care for the Homeless Clinicians' Network

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The HCH Clinicians' Network is a membership organization for clinicians who provide hands-on care to homeless individuals and families. This vital force working to end homelessness comprises over 650 members nationwide. With staff support, members share information, participate in practice-based research, develop training and education programs, provide peer support and recognition, and serve on advisory groups and task forces. Membership benefits include a directory that lists members by clinical discipline and geographical region; Healing Hands, a bimonthly newsletter; leadership opportunities; and enewsletters, including The HCH Research Update. For a membership brochure or additional information, contact the Network.

Health Care for the Homeless Information Resource Center

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The Health Care for the Homeless Information Resource Center (HCH/IRC) offers front-line providers and program staff access to current research and information about clinical practices, funding opportunities, and legislative initiatives that impact their work. Activities include convening an annual conference; publication of an information bulletin; production of a directory of HCH grantee profiles; and dissemination of information, including annotated bibliographies, clinical and administrative tools, and videos. Inquiries are welcome from grantees and others.

HomeBase, The Center for Common Concerns, Inc.

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HomeBase is a nonprofit, public policy law firm that works with communities to develop effective and humane responses to homelessness. Its work is multifaceted, including research, model policy and program development, community-level planning, advocacy, and public education. Focusing on solutions to both systemic and personal causes of homelessness, their work includes expanding options for affordable housing; enhancing economic self-sufficiency through access to living wage employment or benefits programs; removing barriers to key support services, including health and mental health care, child care, and drug and alcohol treatment; and working to create better coordination and efficiency within the overall service system. All of HomeBase's work is community-driven and inclusive, involving those with a stake in the issue. We work with local governments, housing and service providers, community and faith-based organizations, and homeless people to implement integrated and sustainable strategies that help people leave the streets and regain housing, independence, and dignity.

Homes for the Homeless

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Homes for the Homeless works to reduce homelessness and poverty by providing families who are homeless with the education, employment training, and support services that will enable them to gain and retain permanent housing and achieve independence. Homes for the Homeless is a private, nonprofit organization that serves more than 630 New York City families daily in its five American Family Inns. Each American Family Inn provides on-site education, family support, and employment training programs, including family services counseling with needs assessment; healthcare and referrals; adult basic education, GED preparation and career counseling; family literacy programs; independent living skills workshops; job readiness and job training programs; early childhood development centers; and housing placement assistance. Additional programs include accelerated after-school educational programs; recreational and cultural programs; and the Family Crisis Nursery Program, a family support and family preservation initiative.

National Alliance to End Homelessness

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The National Alliance to End Homelessness (the Alliance) is a national membership organization with more than 4,000 members nationwide. Rooted in the belief that all sectors of society need to mobilize to end homelessness, its membership consists of leaders in the financial community, nonprofit agencies, grassroots providers, political leaders, and private citizens. Guiding the Alliance's work is its Ten Year Plan to End Homelessness. The Ten Year Plan identifies our nation's current weaknesses in addressing the problem and lays out practical steps that our nation can take to truly end homelessness within ten years. The main areas of the Alliance's work include informing policymakers at the Federal level about ways in which they can help to end homelessness across the nation; providing assistance to service providers, advocates, and public officials in developing and implementing plans to end homelessness in their communities; and increasing the number of Americans educated about homelessness and engaged in pursuing its permanent end. The Alliance can provide technical assistance and information on state and local planning to end homelessness, homelessness prevention strategies, ending homelessness through a housing first approach, service delivery models, and employment programs. The Alliance newsletter is distributed via email and fax every week and available at no cost through their website.

National Association of Community Health Centers

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The National Association of Community Health Centers (NACHC) is a nonprofit membership association and public policy advocacy organization representing Community and Migrant Health Centers (also known as Federally Qualified Health Centers), Health Care for the Homeless programs, Black Lung Clinics, and other health provider organizations interested in promoting access to quality primary health care for medically underserved communities and populations. NACHC is a national resource for public policy information on primary health care for homeless and other medically underserved populations. NACHC maintains a Health Care for the Homeless committee composed of organizations serving people who are homeless. NACHC also conducts three national conferences a year that focus on care of the medically underserved; maintains liaisons with affiliated primary care organizations in each state; and provides information, consultation, publications, and training for health centers and other prospective applicants on establishing new or expanded health center sites as part of a multi-year Health Center Expansion Initiative. NACHC also provides Training and Technical Assistance on financial and operations management, managed care, integrated networks, clinical quality, the PHS Drug Pricing Program, the Federal Tort Claims Act malpractice coverage, state based health initiatives, Medicaid and Medicare reimbursement under the Prospective Payment System, and other issues of interest to health care programs for people who are homeless, especially programs that receive funding under Section 330 of the Consolidated Health Centers Act.

National Center for Homeless Education

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The National Center for Homeless Education (NCHE) is a national resource center of research and information enabling communities to successfully address the needs of homeless children and youth and their families. The goals of the NCHE are to collect and disseminate important resource and referral information related to the complex issues surrounding the education of homeless children, youth, and their families; provide rapid-response referral information; foster collaboration among various organizations with interests in addressing the education of homeless children and youth; synthesize and apply existing research; and guide the research agenda to expand the knowledge base on the education of homeless children, youth, and their families. NCHE is housed at SERVE, a consortium of educational organizations associated with the School of Education and headquartered at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro. Funded by the U.S. Department of Education, the NCHE provides services to improve educational opportunities and outcomes for homeless children and youth in our nation's school communities.

National Coalition for Homeless Veterans

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The mission of the National Coalition for Homeless Veterans (NCHV) is to end homelessness among veterans by shaping public policy, promoting collaboration, and building the capacity of service providers. Annual membership fees are \$150-300. NCHV publishes a bimonthly, 16-page newsletter.

National Coalition for the Homeless

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policy analysis and advocacy, public education, grassroots organizing, and technical assistance. NCH works to improve housing, health, income, and civil rights policy at the Federal level as a means of preventing homelessness. Specific goals include creating a National Housing Trust Fund; increasing funding for prevention, emergency shelter, and transitional, permanent, and permanent supportive housing; strengthening laws that help ensure school access, stability, and support for children who become homeless; ensuring economic stability for families and individuals; protecting the civil rights of people experiencing homelessness; and increasing funding for primary care, mental health, domestic violence, and addiction services for people experiencing homelessness. NCH educates the public about causes of, and solutions to, homelessness as well as what individuals/groups can do to help end homelessness through projects such as the Faces of Homelessness Speakers' Bureau and the NCH website, written publications, and conferences. NCH's grassroots efforts include initiating the National Homeless Civil Rights Organizing Project, coordinating National Homeless Persons' Memorial Day, National Hunger & Homelessness Awareness Week, organizing the "You Don't Need a Home to Vote" campaign, and publishing reports on criminalization and hate crimes. NCH's technical assistance activities include consultation in response to specific requests and trainings at state and regional conferences on how to utilize mainstream program funds for housing, education, and services.

National Health Care for the Homeless Council

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The National Health Care for the Homeless Council is an organization of agencies and individuals that provide health care to people who are homeless. The mission of the Council is to help bring about reform of the health care system to best serve the needs of people who are homeless, to work in alliance with others whose broader purpose is to eliminate homelessness, and to provide support to Council members. To these ends, the National Council operates the Health Care for the Homeless Clinicians' Network; publishes The Health Care for the Homeless Mobilizer; organizes an annual policy symposium and various training events; conducts research; and publishes papers.

National Law Center on Homelessness and Poverty

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the shortage of affordable housing, insufficient income, and inadequate social services. The Law Center publishes a quarterly newsletter, In Just Times, which it distributes free to donors and to those who purchase Law Center materials. Individual copies of the newsletter may be requested at no charge. Information on membership in the Law Center's national membership network is available on their website.

National Policy and Advocacy Council on Homelessness (NPACH)

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The National Policy and Advocacy Council on Homelessness (NPACH) is a national grassroots organization whose primary concern is to ensure that national homelessness policy accurately reflects the needs of local communities. NPACH works to accomplish its mission through public education, grassroots organizing, research and technical assistance.

National Student Campaign Against Hunger and Homelessness

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The National Student Campaign Against Hunger and Homelessness is a nonprofit network of colleges, universities, and high schools that was established in 1985. The Campaign is a project of the Public Interest Research Groups (PIRGs) who recognized the need to address the issues of hunger and homelessness, believing that students are leaders in social change. The Campaign offers three annual events including a leadership conference in October; Hunger Cleanup, a community service work-a-thon in April; and campus Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week in November; as well as a national legislative action program. The Campaign serves as a clearinghouse for information and contacts and offers technical assistance to student leaders through site visits, manuals, and phone consultations. In the past 18 years, the Campaign has mobilized countless volunteers and raised more than \$1.5 million for hunger and homelessness relief efforts.

The Salvation Army

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The Salvation Army, established in 1880, is an international religious and charitable organization active in 105 countries. Nearly 10,000 centers of operation in the United States provide a wide variety of social services, character building, and support programs for families, individuals, seniors, and youth. Disaster victims, persons suffering multiple addictions, victims of abuse, and families in need of food, shelter, clothing, utilities, jobs, transportation, domestic skills training, counseling, mentoring, child day care, adult day care, and advocacy, are served through community service centers, residential treatment facilities, emergency, transitional and permanent housing units, camps, thrift stores, and specialized treatment centers. Locating missing family members who are not involved in legal battles is also a service of The Salvation Army.

Travelers Aid International

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Website: www.travelersaid.org

Travelers Aid International is the association of Travelers Aid programs in the United States and Puerto Rico. Member agencies serve individuals and families in crisis due to homelessness, mobility, or other disruptive circumstances. In 2004, Travelers Aid International member agencies assisted more than 4 million people. In-depth services, including housing, transportation assistance, and casework, were provided to more than 200,000. Short-term counseling, shelter, food and clothing, financial aid, and other assistance are available from member agencies. Individuals must contact the Travelers Aid member agency in their community.

United Way of America

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Website: www.unitedway.org

United Way of America is the national organization dedicated to leading the United Way movement in making measurable impact in every community across America. The United Way movement includes approximately 1,400 community-based United Way organizations that are independent, separately incorporated, and governed by local volunteers.

U.S. Conference of Mayors

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Founded in 1932, the Conference of Mayors represents the mayors of U.S. cities with populations of 30,000 and above. Its Task Force on Hunger and Homelessness, formed in 1983, serves as the focal point

for its efforts in these areas. Under the auspices of the Task Force, the Conference has published more than 20 reports on hunger, homelessness, and poverty. Most reports are available for \$15.					

■ Consumer/Self-Help

Center for Self-Help Research

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The Center for Self-Help Research brings together consumers, mental health service providers, and researchers to study aspects of consumer-directed, self-help mental health and its relationship to the public mental health system. Its major current project is an outcome study of participants who are homeless and mentally disabled in self-help agencies and professionally provided mental health services. The Center disseminates its findings through publications, conferences, and a series of working papers.

National Empowerment Center

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The National Empowerment Center is a national technical assistance center, run by people who have recovered from mental illness. The Center develops and disseminates information on consumer-run programs, client-practitioners, recovery, and empowerment. Center staff give keynote addresses and workshops at national and local conferences.

National Mental Health Consumers' Self-Help Clearinghouse

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One of five national Federally-funded technical assistance centers, The Clearinghouse encourages the development and growth of consumer self-help groups. Staff provide individuals and groups with information, materials, and referrals for a wide range of technical assistance issues, including fundraising, publicity, membership, and advocacy/legal advice. The Clearinghouse maintains a national database of consumer consultants and works with other Federally-funded technical assistance centers to develop and disseminate materials on self-advocacy, community integration, and consumer participation in the planning, provision, and evaluation of mental health and community support services.

National Research and Training Center on Psychiatric Disability

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The University of Illinois at Chicago (UIC) National Research and Training Center (NRTC) on Psychiatric Disability conducts basic and evaluation research, delivers training and technical assistance, and engages in policy development regarding self-determination for people with psychiatric disabilities. The NRTC's current projects comprise five core areas: increasing consumer choice in treatment and services through advance directives, peer-to-peer services, and other mechanisms; enhancing economic self-sufficiency through real jobs for real wages; promoting consumer participation in mental health financing strategies; strengthening consumer self determination skills through self-advocacy; and advancing promising practices in self-determination services to the level of evidence-based practices. This involves exploring the effects of self-determination initiatives such cash and counseling, fiscal intermediaries, brokered service models, Medicaid Home and Community Based waivers, Medicaid buy-in and rehab options, and TANF return-to-work programs on people with psychiatric disabilities. Papers are available from a recent (Fall, 2003) invitational conference on self-determination and psychiatric disability. Numerous research publications, self-help tools, reports, curricula, and web-based training are available at replacement cost by contacting the Center or visiting its website.

National Stigma Clearinghouse

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The National Stigma Clearinghouse (NSC) works to end sensationalism and eliminate stereotypes of mental illnesses in the mass media—television, films, print media, and advertising. The NSC assists media watchers to mobilize local "stigmabusters" groups and issues Stigma Alerts to organizations and individuals when depictions of mental illnesses are clearly exploitative. The NSC hub in New York City furnishes information about stigma from its articles file to consumer/survivor groups, the media, mental health organizations, educators, students, researchers, families, and professionals in the mental health field. The NSC stigma home page provides links to anti-stigma activity on the Internet.

■ Employment/Rehabilitation

Association for Persons in Supported Employment

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The Association for Persons in Supported Employment (ASPE) was created to improve and expand integrated employment opportunities and services for persons with significant disabilities, including mental disabilities. APSE advocates for, and provides information to, developers and constituents of supported employment services. The organization also educates the general public and the business community on the value of employing people with significant disabilities.

Center for Psychiatric Rehabilitation

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The Center for Psychiatric Rehabilitation is affiliated with Sargent College of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences and the Department of Rehabilitation Counseling at Boston University. The Center is a research, training, and service organization dedicated to improving the lives of persons who have psychiatric disabilities by improving the effectiveness of people, programs, and service systems. The mission of the Center is to increase knowledge in the field of psychiatric rehabilitation and to apply this body of knowledge to train treatment personnel, develop effective rehabilitation programs, and assist in organizing both personnel and programs into efficient and coordinated service delivery systems. The Center, under the direction of William A. Anthony, Ph.D., has been jointly funded since 1979 as a Research and Training Center in mental health by the National Institute on Disability and Rehabilitation Research and the Center for Mental Health Services, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration. The Center has been designated as a World Health Organization Collaborating Center in Psychiatric Rehabilitation. A publication catalog and workshop brochures are available on the Center's website.

Home Builders Institute

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Home Builders Institute (HBI), the workforce development arm of the National Association of Home Builders, has operated eight U.S. Department of Labor-funded training and employment programs for persons who are homeless around the country. Currently, HBI provides training for people who are homeless in Columbia, SC, under U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) grants. Homeless Employment And Related Training (HEART) combines pre-apprenticeship construction skills training, provision of extensive social services, opportunities for housing, and job placement. HBI also trains and places adult and youthful offenders for work in the home building industry. Contact HBI for information on setting up and running a training and employment program for persons who are homeless and other information on industry-sponsored training programs. HBI, in cooperation with state and local Home Builder Associations across the country, sponsors other construction training programs for economically disadvantaged individuals, adult and juvenile offenders, at-risk youth, and workers on welfare.

Job Accommodation Network

PO Box 6080 Morgantown, WV 26506

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The Job Accommodation Network (JAN) provides information on practical accommodations that can be used in business and industry to enable persons with functional limitations (including those caused by physical, mental, or learning disabilities) to be productive in the workplace. Established in 1984 by the President's Committee on Employment of People with Disabilities, JAN collects and disseminates job accommodation information to help employers retain disabled employees and reduce disability costs. JAN services are free and may also be used by rehabilitation professionals and individuals with disabilities. JAN can also answer questions about the rights and responsibilities under the Americans with Disability Act (ADA). The Small Business Self Employment Services located at JAN can help individuals with disabilities with starting up their own business.

National Council on Disability

1331 F Street, NW Suite 850 Washington, DC 20004

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A Progress Report.

National Rehabilitation Information Center

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The National Rehabilitation Information Center (NARIC) is a library and information center on disability and rehabilitation. Funded by the National Institute on Disability and Rehabilitation Research, NARIC collects and disseminates the results of Federally-funded research projects. The collection, which also includes commercially published books, journal articles, and audiovisuals, grows at a rate of approximately 300 documents a month. NARIC currently has more than 50,000 documents on all aspects of disability and rehabilitation, including physical disabilities; mental retardation; psychiatric disabilities; independent living; medical rehabilitation; special education; employment; assistive technology; and law and public policy. REHABDATA, a bibliographic database, contains citations and abstracts of the materials in the collection. NARIC's information specialists and users search this database to obtain lists of materials that suit the users' needs and interests. NARIC's website includes directories, publications, and four searchable databases.

The United States Psychiatric Rehabilitation Assoc. (USPRA)

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The United States Psychiatric Rehabilitation Association (USPRA), formerly IAPSRS, is an organization of psychosocial rehabilitation agencies, practitioners, and interested organizations and individuals dedicated to promoting, supporting and strengthening community-oriented rehabilitation services and resources for persons with psychiatric dis abilities. With nearly 1,500 members, USPRA is the leading psychiatric rehabilitation organization in the United States.

■ Families/Children

Federation of Families for Children's Mental Health

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The Federation of Families for Children's Mental Health is a national, parent-run organization focused on the needs of children and youth with emotional, behavioral, or mental disorders and their families. The Federation provides leadership in the field of children's mental health by offering information and engaging in advocacy concerning research, prevention, early intervention, family support, education, transition services, and other resources needed by these children and youth and their families. Individual, family, and organization memberships are available. The National conferences are held annually in November.

Institute for Children and Poverty

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The Institute for Children and Poverty (ICP) provides innovative strategies to combat the impact of homelessness and urban poverty on the lives of children and their families through the development of effective public policy initiatives and the dissemination of quantitative research findings. ICP conducts trainings for service providers, government agencies, and community-based organizations on the implementation of effective, innovative homelessness prevention and anti-poverty programs; provides technical assistance in the area of effective management practices; and conducts primary data collection and analysis on poverty issues in urban settings, particularly with regard to children. Furthermore, the Institute provides information to public policy decision makers, the nonprofit community, the private sector, and educational institutions through trainings, technical assistance, publications, symposia, and public speaking forums.

National Association for the Education of Homeless Children and Youth

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NAEHCY, a national grassroots membership association, serves as the voice and the social conscience for the education of children and youth in homeless situations. NAEHCY connects educators, parents, advocates, researchers and service providers to ensure school enrollment and attendance, and overall success for children and youth whose lives have been disrupted by the lack of safe, permanent and adequate housing. NAEHCY accomplishes these goals through advocacy, partnerships and education.

National Center on Family Homelessness

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The National Center on Family Homelessness is working to end family homelessness in America. The Center designs, pilots, and evaluates innovative programs and services that provide long-term solutions to family homelessness. It shares its knowledge by educating service providers, policymakers, and the public. The Center has three divisions—research/evaluation; program design and implementation; and public education and policy—which work together to understand the causes and effects of family homelessness, create and evaluate strategies to end homelessness and improve the lives of homeless families, and inform the development of policies and programs that benefit homeless families.

National Center for Mental Health and Juvenile Justice

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The National Center for Mental Health and Juvenile Justice was created to promote awareness of the mental health needs of youth in the juvenile justice system. Operated by Policy Research Associates, the Center assists the field by developing improved policies and programs based on the best available research and practice. Resources available through the Center include a comprehensive database of the best available research and information; a compendium of effective and innovative programs and policies; a list of experts and technical assistance resources; a list of publications that synthesize current knowledge; a comprehensive website with information, on-line training, and links to key groups, resources, and organizations.

National Clearinghouse on Families and Youth

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The National Clearinghouse on Families & Youth (NCFY) was established by the Family and Youth Services Bureau (FYSB) to serve as a central resource on youth and family policy and practice. FYSB is the lead agency on youth and families within the Administration on Children, Youth and Families, Administration for Children and Families, of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. NCFY produces technical assistance materials on youth and family programming, operates an information line through which family practitioners, policymakers, and the general public can access information on youth and family issues, and distributes materials at conferences and training events.

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to ensure that young people can be safe and lead healthy and productive lives. Through its relationship with regional and state networks, the National Network represents over 1,800 constituents, primarily community-based, youth-serving agencies. The National Network actively engages in public education efforts; promotes youth/adult partnerships; supports the delivery of high quality, effective programs and services among youth-serving agencies; and provides training and technical assistance in areas including professional development of youth workers, youth leadership, youth/adult partnerships, HIV/AIDS and substance abuse prevention, grant writing, and organizational development. The National Network holds an annual conference in Washington, DC, and publishes Network News and Policy Reporter.

National Technical Assistance Center for Children's Mental Health

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The National Technical Assistance Center for Children's Mental Health works in partnership with state and community leaders and families to promote service delivery that is developmentally and culturally appropriate for children and adolescents who have, or are at risk for, mental health problems and their families. The National TA Center promotes a "system of care" approach to services - building service delivery systems that are comprehensive, community-based, child and family centered, culturally competent, and coordinated across child serving agencies. The National TA Center sponsors meetings, policy and leadership academies, and national training institutes for administrators, practitioners, and family advocates. The Center also publishes monographs and other resources on effective service approaches. The Center provides some direct services in homeless shelters, developmental evaluation centers and community sites in Washington, DC. The Center often assists families interested in finding out about services in their states for children and adolescents who require mental health services. The Center will connect families with a state child mental health professional or other person within their state who can be of assistance.

Research and Training Center for Children's Mental Health

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Created in 1984 to address the need for improved services for children with serious emotional disturbances and their families, the Research and Training Center for Children's Mental Health receives funding from the National Institute on Disability and Rehabilitation Research and the Center for Mental Health Services. Staff conduct research, synthesize and disseminate information, provide training and consultation, and serve as a resource for policymakers, researchers, parents, and advocates. The Center's resource materials include research results, policy briefs, annotated bibliographies, and conference proceedings.

Research and Training Center on Family Support and Children's Mental Health

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The Research and Training Center on Family Support and Children's Mental Health is dedicated to promoting effective community-based, culturally competent, family-centered services for families and their children who are affected by mental, emotional, or behavioral disorders through collaborative research partnerships with family members, service providers, policymakers, and other concerned persons. The Research and Training Center serves as a national resource on improvement of mental health services to children and families through dissemination and training that include an annual conference highlighting innovative programs and research on family-centered services; an award winning website that shares information about child and family mental health services and policy issues; Focal Point, a national bulletin on family support and children's mental health; a bimonthly e-mail listsery; and publications. Focal Point and enrollment in RTC Updates are available free of charge at the Center's website.

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nonprofits and philanthropy, metropolitan housing and community development; assessing the "new Federalism"; justice policy; income and benefits; education, healthcare, taxes, and labor; human services; and population. Work on families and children cuts across all centers. Homelessness expertise is in their Labor and Social Policy Center.

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Accountants for the Public Interest (API) is a national nonprofit organization that has as its purpose to encourage accountants to volunteer their time and expertise to nonprofits, small businesses, and individuals who cannot afford professional accounting services. Twenty-two affiliates located in 20 states match volunteers with organizations and individuals requesting accounting assistance. In addition to providing accounting assistance, API publishes user-friendly accounting management guides available to nonprofits at a reasonable cost.

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The Alliance for Justice, comprising environmental, civil rights, and consumer public interest organizations, focuses its efforts on strengthening the public interest community, securing access to justice for all Americans, and fostering the next generation of advocates. Through workshops, publications, and technical assistance, the Alliance informs nonprofit organizations about the permissible forms of nonprofit advocacy, including voter registration, voter education, and lobbying. The Alliance also offers information and assistance to foundations on funding advocacy.

Community Economics, Inc.

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Community Economics, Inc. (CEI), provides public agencies, tenant groups, community organizations and local governments with expert technical assistance in the areas of housing, real estate, and community development. In addition to providing direct project technical assistance, CEI has been involved in housing policy evaluation and development. It has assisted in formulating programs for new construction and rehabilitation, developing anti-displacement and antigentrification strategies, and has been active in using community and local government resources to maximize the benefits of programs for low-income residents.

National Community Reinvestment Coalition

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National Community Reinvestment Coalition (NCRC) is a nonprofit, proactive community reinvestment movement with the goal of ending discriminatory banking practices and increasing the flow of private capital and credit into traditionally underserved communities across the country. The Coalition has played a lead role in the new CRA regulatory examinations rewrite, and, at the request of former President Clinton, mobilized a national response effort to include a performance-based CRA evaluation system, small business reporting, and a strategic plan option. NCRC continues to advocate for strong community reinvestment and fair lending laws. In addition, NCRC operates a number of programs, including financial literacy education, small business lending, and processing housing discrimination complaints.

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The National Development Council (NDC) is a nonprofit corporation specializing in economic and housing development finance. Organized in 1969, NDC's professionals work with local government and nonprofit officials to create job opportunities and generate investment in distressed communities. NDC delivers a unique combination of economic and housing development services to its client communities, including technical assistance, training, and financial services. NDC's finance experts stimulate development by designing and implementing innovative programs that link public and private financing. NDC has assisted more than 300 cities, counties, and states structure and secure financing for hundreds of business expansions, real estate development, and affordable housing projects. NDC also has created several wholly owned subsidiaries that offer innovative financing solutions for development projects in client communities.

National Training and Information Center

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loan acquisition; restoring abandoned buildings from FHA foreclosures; and working with institutions and small businesses to create and retain jobs. In addition, it offers assistance on how to develop leadership and strengthen fundraising campaigns. Easy-to-read publications and organizing manuals focus on concerns such as effective research, how to use the Community Reinvestment Act, how to organize against crime and drugs, and other neighborhood issues. NTIC also publishes a bimonthly newsletter, DISCLOSURE, which covers neighborhood events and campaigns.

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Public Advocates is a nonprofit, public interest law firm based in San Francisco. Throughout its history, Public Advocates' purpose has been to challenge the underlying causes and effects of poverty and discrimination and to work for the empowerment of people of color, providing them a voice in governmental, corporate, and other institutions. Currently, Public Advocates is pursuing statewide (CA) strategies in the areas of education, transportation, housing, insurance, health, and telecommunications. Public Advocates uses creative and diverse litigative and non-litigative strategies, including administrative and judicial actions, advocacy projects, negotiation, and multicultural coalition building.

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